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*Autumn harvest time
State and county fairs open
And football is here*

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..USDA President's Letter

Elections are being held during the month of September. Karon Miller is running for President of USDA of Kern County. The other positions – Carol Noel, Secretary, Cheryl Hunter, Treasurer, and Bethel Billesbach, Vice President, are all standing for another term. You can vote at any of your club's dances or classes.

Don't forget our Honor Flight Benefit Dance on September 30th. See the flyer on page 14.

Looking forward to seeing you at a dance soon.....Bob Bell

..Editor's Comments

Sorry about the lateness of this issue of Tip Talk. It seemed that I had a bunch of distractions – family problems, computer/printer problems, etc. Ended up having to buy a new printer. HP printers seem to have a definite life span of 3 to 4 years and it becomes cheaper to just buy a new one than repair the old one.

Is it time to renew? Double check your mailing label to see if you need to renew. There should be a stamp on the cover saying "Time to Renew" and also a pre-addressed envelope inside your copy of Tip Talk. I know that the envelopes sometimes slide out during mailing, so check for the Time to Renew stamp on the cover.

Hope to see you in a square soon..... Bob Bell

Blood Bank

As of August 28th there are 333 units of blood available. Those who gave since the last period were Keith Bratton (twice), Jean Schwynoch (twice), Don Billesbach, and Marilyn Bratton. Thank you so much!!!

Houchin Community Blood Bank is located at 5901 Truxton Avenue, Bakersfield, CA 661-323-4222. Hours are 9 AM to 6 PM M-F. On Monday and Thursday the Blood Bank is open until 8 PM. No appointment is necessary. Mention that you want the blood credited to USDA's account.

Sunshine

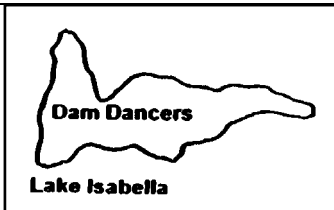
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Sandy Hutchison	Husband's Ray passing State Council Member	Kay Klinker	Blood clots in lungs
Jean Schwynoch	Torn Ligament in leg	Jan Alford	Surgery
Troy Guinn	Surgery	Brenda Johnson	Surgery
Family of Jim Ingram	Jim's Passing		

Charmaine Ingram would like to thank everyone for the support she has received after Jim's passing. She is very grateful and appreciates all the cards, thoughts and prayers and everyone who attended the service..

Evelyn Glines





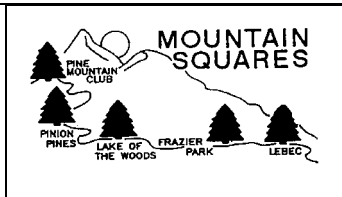
President: Carl Witten
760-549-9424
Club Caller: Lloyd Lewis
Club Dance Every
1st Saturday 7:00 - 9:30 PM
Class/Club Workshop
Tuesdays 6:30 – 8:30PM
Class/Workshop/Dances are
held at Kern River Valley
Veterans/Senior Building
6405 Lake Isabella Blvd.
Lake Isabella, CA 93240
Unless otherwise noted
Upcoming Dances
September 2
Caller: Rob Grigsby
No rounds
October 7th
Caller: Darren Gallina
No rounds
November 4th
Caller: Ben Goldberg
No rounds
December 2nd
Caller: Phil Farmer
No rounds

53rd Anniversary March 2018



President: Fred Noel
661-589-3582
Club Caller: Michael Kellogg
Club Dance Every 3rd
Saturday 7:30 - 10:00 pm
Rounds start at 6:45PM and
between tips
Regular Class/Workshop
Thursdays 7 – 9:30PM
Workshop begins on September
7th
Beginners Class starts on
September 28th
Class/Workshop/Dances are
held at Rasmussen Center
115 E. Roberts Lane
Bakersfield, CA 93308
Upcoming Dances
September 16th
Caller: Steve Woodard
Cuer: Gary and Susan
McLaughlin
October 21st
Caller: Pat Carnathan
Cuer: Gary and Susan
McLaughlin
November 18th
Caller: Vic Kaaria
Cuer: Shana Kaaria

60th Anniversary April 2018



President: Don Billesbach
661-245-1882
Club Caller: Bob Jones
Club Dance 4th Sundays
except winter months
Unless otherwise noted
1:30 – 4:30PM
Dances are held at
Frazier Park Community Center
Monterey Trail & Park Drive
Frazier Park, CA 93225
Class/Workshops
Every Tuesdays unless
otherwise noted
New Class starts Sep. 5th
6:30 – 7 PM Workshop
7 – 9 PM Class
Cuddy Hall
335 Lakewood Place
Lake of the Woods, CA 93225
Upcoming Dances
September - DARK
October 8th
Caller: Mike Sikorsky
Cuer: Cindy Mower
27th Anniversary Dance
Black and White Ball
We begin our Winter
Hibernation in November and
are dark until April, but we will
see you at Fiesta in March

27th Anniversary Oct 2017

The TEHACHAPI
GANDY DANCERS



President Brenda
Johnston 760-447-

6730
email:
gebe3brenda@gmail.com

Club Caller: Rod Shuping
Club Dance Every Other Month on
4th Saturday unless otherwise
noted. Dance from 7 – 10 PM
Dances, classes, and workshops
are held at the Tehachapi Senior
Center
500 East F St, Tehachapi, CA
93561

Unless otherwise noted

Club Class/Workshop
Every Wednesday 6:30 – 9PM
Class 6:30 - 8 PM
Plus Level Workshop 8 – 9 PM

Upcoming Dances

August 19th
Dance Under the Stars
Caller: Andy Allemao
Cuer: Chuck & Doreene Ball

October 28th
October Harvest &
39th Anniversary Dance
Caller: Dick Hodenfield
Cuer: Gary McLaughlin

39th Anniversary Oct. 2017



President: Gary McLaughlin
661-679-

4241
email: gmclaughlin@bak.rr.com

Club Instructors:
Joe Scarlatella & Monica
Shanks

661-478-2607

email: joyofrdance@gmail.com

Rounders Dance Parties

1st Saturdays 7-9:30PM
East Bakersfield Veterans Hall
2101 Ridge Rd., Bakersfield
Unless otherwise noted

Sunday Workshop:

3rd Sundays
2 – 4:30 PM Rounders WS
First Congregational Church
5 Real Road
Real Rd and Stockdale

No WS are scheduled at this time

Go to www.bakersfieldrounders.org
For additional information

Upcoming Dances

Call for information on
Workshops

October 7th TBA
December 2nd TBA

14th Anniversary Sep. 2017



President: Kathy Funston
661-3993658

email: kfunston@earthlink.net

Instructor: Loni O'Donley
Classes: Thursday evening

Beginner: 6:00 – 6:30 PM
Easy Intermediate: 6:30 – 7:15 PM
Intermediate Plus: 7:15 – 8:00 PM
Advanced: 8:00 – 8:45 PM

Silver Creek Recreation Center
7011 Harris Road
Bakersfield CA 93313

All Ages -- No Partner Needed

32nd Anniversary Dec. 2017

The Mountain Squares

28th Anniversary

Black and White Ball

Featuring

Mike Sikorsky

Cindy Mower cueing

Sunday, October 8th

1:30PM to 5PM

Rounds Starting at 1:30PM

and between tips

Squares 2 – 5PM

Advanced Star Tip

Buffet Style Dinner Served Continuously During Dance

\$10 Dance and Dinner

Frazier Mountain Park Community Center

3801 Park Drive

Frazier Park, CA

It's a short one hour drive from either the San Fernando Valley or Bakersfield. Take the I-5 to the Frazier Park exit. Go 3 ½ miles west to the four way blinking light – Monterey Trail – and turn left. Go one block to Park Drive and turn right then one more block to the parking lot and the Community Center. Call Don Billesbach at 661-245-1882 for additional information. More information about the Mountain Squares and other Kern County Square Dance Clubs can be found at www.kernsq.org.

WHAT IS SQUARE DANCING?

First off, square dancing is probably NOT what you think it is. It's usually presented in movies, schools, etc., as a fairly "simple" activity (you know -- do-si-do, promenade, swing your partner, etc.). Nothing could be farther from the truth, as you'll see below.

Square dancing IS a lot of fun. Once you start, you'll probably find that you're hooked.

It's also a great way to get exercise.

A typical dance evening consists of several dance "tips," lasting about 10 minutes each, with breaks in between. At the beginning of a tip, the dancers line up to form "squares." A square has four couples, with one couple making each side of the square. There may be many squares on the floor, but each is separate. That is, each square of four couples works together as a team, independently of the others.

A "caller" stands at one end of the hall and begins giving a sequence of instructions for the dancers to follow. Each of these instructions, or "calls," requires that some or all of the dancers in the square perform a pre-determined maneuver. The caller doesn't literally tell you where to move, he/she just gives the name of the call, such as "linear cycle" or "ends fold," and the dancers respond. Some of the maneuvers are simple, others are more complex.

Although they begin in a square, after each maneuver the formation of the dancers will change, maybe to waves, or columns, or diamonds, etc., or the dancers' positions within the formation will change. There are lots of variations.

After several calls, the dancers are usually thoroughly "shuffled." For example, your original partner may be somewhere at the other end of the formation from you. But, due to the caller's skill at selecting calls, eventually everyone "magically" ends up with their partner again, back at their home position where they started the tip.

The calls (instructions) that the caller gives are set to music, so the dancers' movements flow to the music. That's part of the fun of dancing. The music can be anything from bluegrass to ballads to rock'n'roll. There are actually two parts to a tip, lasting about 5 minutes each. The first part, although set to music, concentrates more on calls and formations, as the caller maneuvers the dancers into myriad formations and positions. The second part concentrates more on the music, and the dancers movements are choreographed to a particular popular song. It's a nice combination.

Of course, the dancers must know how to perform the maneuvers for each of the calls, and there are lots of calls to learn. This requires that you attend classes for a period of time before you can "officially" dance with the regulars. But the classes are fun, too (see below).

Part of the challenge and fun of square dancing is trying to remember and immediately perform the maneuvers required for each call. This requires that you learn to listen and concentrate. A side benefit of this is that while you're dancing you RELAX, mentally and physically and completely forget any troubles that may have been plaguing you (bad day at the office, etc.)

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USDA Calendar of Events

September 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
See Club Listings for details on locations, times, and themes of dances, classes, and workshops					1 Mid-Cal Classic Los Banos CA 1, 2, 3 Labor Day Jamboree Monrovia, CA 1, 2, 3	2 Dam Dancers Rob Grigsby 7 – 9:30 PM Rounders – Round Dance Party DARK
3	4 Labor Day USDA – No Meeting	5 Mtn. Squares New Class Starts 7-9PM Dam Dancers Class/WS 6:30 – 8:30 PM	6 Gandy Dancers Class/WS 6:30-9PM	7 Joaquin Squares Workshop 7 – 9:30 Black Gold Cloggers WS/Class 6 - 8:45 PM	8	9
10	11	12 Dam Dancers Class/WS 6:30 – 8:30 PM Mtn. Squares Class/WS 6:30-9PM	13 Gandy Dancers Class/WS 6:30-9PM	14 Black Gold Cloggers WS/Class Joaquin Squares Workshop	15	16 Joaquin Squares Steve Woodard Gary McLaughlin on rounds 6:45 – 10 PM
17	18	19 Dam Dancers Class/WS 6:30 – 8:30 PM Mtn. Squares Class/WS 6:30-9PM	20 Gandy Dancers Class/WS 6:30-9PM	21 Black Gold Cloggers WS/Class Joaquin Squares Workshop	22 	23
24 Mtn. Sqrs. DARK	25	26 Dam Dancers Class/WS 6:30 – 8:30 PM Mtn. Squares Class/WS 6:30-9PM	27 Gandy Dancers Class/WS 6:30-9PM	28 Joaquin Squares New Class Starts Black Gold Cloggers WS/Class	29	30 USDA Benefit Dance Honor Flights of Kern County Bob Knowles & Bob Jones McLaughlins on rounds Mt. Vernon Hall 6:45 – 10 PM

USDA Calendar of Events						October 2017
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 See Club Listings for details on locations, times, and themes of dances, classes, and workshops	2 USDA Meeting Mt. Vernon Hall 7 PM	3 Mtn. Squares Class/WS 6:30-9PM Dam Dancers Class/WS 6:30 – 8:30 PM	4 Gandy Dancers Class/WS 6:30-9PM	5 Joaquin Squares Class/WS 7 – 9:30PM Black Gold Cloggers WS/Class 6 - 8:45 PM	6 Annual Jamboree San Jose, CA 6, 7, 8	7 Dam Dancers Darren Gallina 7 – 9:30PM Rounders Round Dance Party Mt. Vernon Hall 7 – 9:30
8 Mtn. Squares 27 th Anniversary Dance - Black & White Ball Mike Sikorsky Cindy Mower on rounds 1:30 – 4:30 PM	9 Columbus Day 	10 Dam Dancers Class/WS 6:30-9:30PM Mtn. Squares Class/WS 6:30-9PM	11 Gandy Dancers Class/WS 6:30-9PM	12 Joaquin Squares Class/WS 7 – 9:30PM Black Gold Cloggers WS/Class 6 - 8:45 PM	13	14
15	16	17 Dam Dancers Class/WS Mtn. Squares Class/WS 6:30-9PM	18 Gandy Dancers Class/WS 6:30-9PM	19 Joaquin Squares Class/WS 7 – 9:30PM Black Gold Cloggers WS/Class 6 - 8:45	20	21 Joaquin Squares Pat Carnathan McLaughlins on rounds 6:45 – 10 PM
22	23	24 Dam Dancers Class/WS 6:30-9:30PM Mtn. Squares Class/WS Rounders WS Mt. Vernon Hall 7 – 9 PM	25 Gandy Dancers Class/WS 6:30-9PM	26 Joaquin Squares Class/WS 7 – 9:30PM Black Gold Cloggers WS/Class 6 - 8:45 PM	27 Harvest Hoedown Yuba City, CA 27, 28, 29	28 Gandy Dancers October Harvest and Anniversary Dance Dick Hodnefeld with Gary McLaughlin on rounded 7 – 10PM
29	30	31  Mtn. Squares Class/WS Dam Dancers Class/WS				

Another challenge is trying to adapt what you learned in classes to different formations and positions. For example, you may have learned how to do a maneuver from one formation, say a wave, but now the caller wants you to do the maneuver when you're in a column, where it might not be so obvious. It can really be fascinating.

In case you're wondering, yes, dancers are human and do make mistakes (i.e. move into the wrong position). That's actually another part of the fun, as your square then attempts to repair the formation before falling too far behind the caller. This almost always evokes a shared laughter among the dancers in your square, as they scurry about, trying to reorganize. If it's impossible to catch up, you simply reform your starting square and wait for the caller to reach another starting point, which is usually within a couple of minutes.

Square dancing is fairly cheap. Evening dances usually range from \$7 to \$8 per person. Weekend-long festivals are proportionally more. Dance attire has traditionally been western, but more and more that is no longer a requirement.

So, square dancing is fun, good exercise, and inexpensive. But another reason for square dancing is the people you'll meet and the friends you'll make. It's a wonderful opportunity to form friendships that may last a lifetime. And that may be the best reason of all.

CLASSES

To learn the "calls" (maneuvers) required for the normal level of dancing, you attend a weekly class for 6-9 months. That may sound like a long time, but it's fun right from the start and you'll find yourself looking forward to the next class. Classes are offered by a square dance club, of which there are several in the Kern County area, usually meeting at county halls or churches. Typical cost is \$6 a week per person -- but the first couple of weeks are sometimes FREE. It's ideal if you bring a partner to dance with, but single dancers are also welcome.

Note that the normal level of dancing actually encompasses three dance levels known as Basic, Mainstream, and Plus. Some clubs graduate new dancers at the Mainstream level and then continue with the Plus calls for several months of "workshops". Others just take you all the way thru all the calls to Plus. Either way, after about 9 months of instruction, you are considered a Plus dancer.

Most dancers remain at the normal (Plus) level. But IF you're adventurous, after a couple of years you might want to move up and learn one of the higher levels of square dancing, known as Advanced and Challenge. Here you'll learn more calls, and you'll learn new concepts like phantom dancers, mirror images, etc., to make things even more interesting (and fun).

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JOAQUIN SQUARES

Saturday September 16, 2017

Featuring Square Dance Caller

Steve Woodard

And Cueing Round Dancing....

Gary and Sue McLaughlin

Great Fun * Lots of Food * Friendship

Rasmussen Center

115 East Roberts Lane, Bakersfield, CA 93308

Round Dancing at 6:45 PM - Square Dancing @ 7:30 PM

All dancers are welcome!



The Tehachapi Gandy Dancers
Cordially Invite You to Attend the

October Harvest and Anniversary Dance

at
The Tehachapi Senior Center
500 East F Street
Tehachapi, CA

Saturday, 28 October 2017
Dancing from 7:00 to 10:00 p.m.

Caller: Dick Hodnefeld

Cue: Gary McLaughlin



Price: \$10.00 per person



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Barbara Stoddard, 661-822-7444
Brenda Johnston, 760-447-6730

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E-mail: doreeneball@netzero.com

Lake Isabella Dam Dancers

Dances Are Held at
Kern River Valley Veterans/Senior Center
6405 Lake Isabella Blvd.
Lake Isabella, CA

Square Dancing 7 – 9:30 PM
Round Dancing to Records

Upcoming Dances

September 2	Rob Grigsby
October 7	Darren Gallina
November 4	Ben Goldberg

Come on up for an evening of dancing by the Lake



Honor Flights Benefit Dance Honoring Our Veterans

All Proceeds go to Honor Flights of Kern County

Callers

Bob Knowles & Bob Jones

Rounds By

Gary & Susan McLaughlin

Rounds starting at 6:30

Presentation of Colors at 7:00

Squares follow

Saturday, September 30, 2017

East Bakersfield Veterans Hall

2101 Ridge Rd, Bakersfield

Cost \$10.00

Further information contact Bethel Billesbach (661)245-1882

Go to www.honorflightkerncounty.org/ for information about Honor Flights



Upcoming Festivals 2017

SEPTEMBER 1, 2, 3 MID-CAL CLASSIC Sponsored by the Pear Steppers
Merced County Spring Fairgrounds, F & 4th Street, Los Banos, CA
CONTACT: Harlan Bowen 707-489-6819 email: harlanbowen@sbcglobal.net
Website: www.pearsteppers.com
Callers: Bob Baier & Jet Roberts
Cuers: Sharon & Casey Parker
Levels: Plus with A2 Sessions
Rounds: Levels not specified
Workshops with After Party – Full weekend of dancing thru Sunday night 10 PM

SEPTEMBER 1, 2, 3 LABOR DAY JAMBOREEE
Courtyard by Marriott, 700 W Huntington Drive, Arcadia, CA
CONTACT: Kristi@charlierobertson.com Jamboree Staff 626-548-8365
Website: www.charlierobertson.com/labor_day_jamboree
Callers: Charlie Robertson, David Mee, Mike Seastrom, and Don Wood
Cuers: MaryAnn Callahan & Craig Cowen and Sue & Phil Harris
Levels: C50, Plus, A1, A2 with an Intro to C1Session
Rounds: Phase II to Phase V

OCTOBER 6, 7, 8 61ST ANNUAL JUBILEE – Sponsored by Santa Clara Valley Square Dancers Association
Hoover Middle School, 1635 Park Avenue, San Jose, CA
CONTACT: jubilee@scvsda.org 408-774-1570
Website: www.scvsda.org/jubilee.html
Callers: Andy Allemao, Bill Harrison, Michael Kellogg and the SCVSDA Top Ten Callers
Cuers: Sharon and Casey Parker plus additional local cuers
Levels: Plus, Advanced, Challenge with workshops, specialty sessions and sessions for newer dances
Rounds: Phase II - V

OCTOBER 27, 28, 29 58TH ANNUAL HARVEST HOEDOWN – Sponsored by Assoc. Square Dancers of Superior California
Yuba-Sutter Fairgrounds, 442 Franklin Avenue, Yuba City, CA
CONTACT: Katie Pearce 916-606-9738 email: harvesthoedown@asdsc.org
Website: www.harvesthoedown.org
Callers: Ray Brendzy, Bobby Boyner, Charlie Robertson, & Matt Worley
Cuers: MaryAnn Callahan & Craig Cowen
Levels: New Dancer, Mainstream, Plus, Advanced Intro to Square Dance “Blast Class”
Rounds: Phase II – VI Dancing & Teaches Intro to Round Dance

NOVEMBER 3, 4, 5 67TH FIESTA DE LA CUADRILLA – Sponsored by San Diego Square Dance Association
Balboa Park, San Diego, CA
CONTACT: email: fiesta@sdsda.org 619-235-8151
Website: www.fiestasd.org
Callers: Don Moger, Eric Henerlau, & Pat Carnathan
Cuers: Sharon & Casey Parker and Rey & Sherry Garza
Levels: New Dancer, Mainstream, Plus, Advanced, Challenge Hex Squares - Blast Class
Rounds: Phase II – VI Round Dance Party Clogging

NOVEMBER 9, 10, 11, 12 21ST ANNUAL RIVERSIDE COUNTY SQUARE AND ROUND DANCE FESTIVAL
National Date Festival Fairgrounds, 46350 Arabia St, Indio, CA
CONTACT: email: lshomake77@yahoo.com 865-387-2217
Website: www.rivcosquaredance.com
Callers: Ken Bower, Wade Driver, Tony Oxendine, Johnny Preston, Gary Shoemake, Mike Sikorsky
with Mike Seastrom on Friday and Saturday
Cuers: Bob & Mary Townsend-Manning and Chuck & Sandi Weiss
Levels: Plus, A1, A2 with C1 Star Tips
Rounds: Phase II – VI

NOVEMBER 24, 25, 26 24TH FALL FROLIC FESTIVAL ADVANCED (A2) WEEKEND Sponsored by the Pear Steppers
Music Hall at Casa De Fruta Orchard Resort, 10031 Pacheco Pass (Hwy 152), Hollister, CA
CONTACT: email: harlanbower@sbcglobal.net 707-489-6819
Website: www.pearsteppers.com
Caller: Johnny Preston
Cuer: MaryAnn Callahan
Levels: A2 with C1 sessions

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Thank you – Bob Bell, Editor

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Square Dance

